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TAGS: ETRD, EEC, EFTA, XG, GW

SUBJ: EC/AFTA RULES OF ORIGIN

REF: STATE A-4058, MAY 20,1974

1. CONGEN POUCHING AIRGRAM REPORT OF SURVEY TO IDENTIFY CASES OF  
INJURY TO U.S. TRADE STEMMING FROM EC/AFTA RULES OF ORIGIN.

OUT OF 111 FIRMS CONTACTED, 12 INDICATE SOME DEGREE OF POSSIBLE  
OR POTENTIAL DAMAGE. MOST SAY ENFORCEMENT IS LAX AND PREFER  
CAUTIOUS APPROACH TO ISSUE FOR TIME BEING.

2. TWO CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED EARLIER: UNION SPECIAL  
(STUTTGART'S A-113, AUGUST 4, 1972) AND DEERE & COMPANY

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(STUTTGART'S 362, MAY 21,1973.

3. ONE NEW CASE MERITS TELEGRAPHIC REPORT: HEWLETT-PACKARD WHICH HAS SIGNIFICANT EXPORTS TO EFTA OF PRODUCTS WHICH CONTAIN HIGH PORTION OF MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS OF U.S. ORIGIN. THESE INCLUDE ELECTRONIC CALCULATORS (BTN 84.52), COMPUTERS (BTN84.53), ELECTRONIC MEASURING INSTRUMENTS (BTN 90.28), POWER GENERATORS (BTN 85.01), PULSE GENERATORS (BTN 85.22) AND ELECTRO-MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (BTN90.17). HEWLETT-PACKARD, INLIKE MOST RESPONDENTS CLAIMS RULES ARE BEING ENFORCED AND SOME EFTA COUNTRIES ARE DEMANDING GERMAN CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES PRODUCE DOCUMENTS TO ESTABLISH ORIGIN OF MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS. AS CONSEQUENCE, HEWLETT-PACKARD HAS BEEN FORCED TO SET UP NEW AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING LINE AND INTRODUCE COSTLY CONTROLS ON ORIGIN OF MATERIALS AND COMPONENTS. THIS HAS INCREASED OPERATING COSTS AND CAUSED DELAYS IN DELIVERY.

4. HEWLETT-PACKARD WILLING TO DISCUSS PROBLEM WITH TARIFF EXPERTS FROM WASHINGTON OR BONN. RUCHTI

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